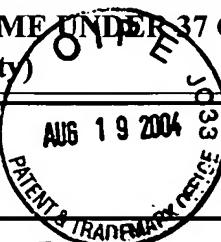


**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
**145-3065-U**

In Re Application Of: **Alfons Knapp**



Application No. <b>10/088,700</b>	Filing Date <b>March 21, 2002</b>	Examiner <b>John A. Rivell</b>	Customer No.	Group Art Unit <b>3753</b>	Confirmation No. <b>2343</b>
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Invention:

**AUTOMATIC VALVE FOR THE STABILIZATION OF A THERMOSTATIC MIXING VALVE**

**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of February 18, 2004 above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months  
 from: May 18, 2004      until: August 18, 2004

The fee for the extension of time is **\$950** and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
 The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **13-1981**  
 If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **13-1981**

  
*Signature*

Dated: **August 17, 2004**

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **8-17-2004** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
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